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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on **.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on *****.
 - iii. Other
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iv. Other

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of ** months.
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required).
- b. Other
- 3. FEES
 - a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other
 - b. Check in the amount of \$ enclosed
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